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EP 0 262 514 discloses that the vacuum cleaner consists of a drawer-shaped housing part 4 which can be pulled out of a second housing part 5. The drawer-shaped housing part 4 contains the dust bag and accessories and the motor space 12 situated behind them. When the housing part 4 is pulled out up to the stop, the motor space still remains completely covered by the top side of the housing part 5.

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